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HERE is not, as I conceive, any Argument whatsoever, that can operate more conclusively on an impartial and considerate Mind, with respect to the Conduct of our Malecontents, than that which is taken from their Method of Proceeding, from the Tenor of their Behaviour, that Uniformity they have preserved as to one, while they have made themselves remarkable for their varying continually in all others. The Point is, their affecting to support themselves by being everlastingly in Generals, suggesting Things, and charging indefinitely, with want of Industry and Ability, every Man who does not con- with them. With this View, the Discourses have published to the World, have been con- ally crowded with dark Representations of Power, Descriptions of Tyranny, pathetick Harangues, Corruption, terrible Portraitsures of wicked Kings, and now terrible Pictures of Prime Ministers. The plain and honest Intention of these worthy Gen- men, being neither more nor less, than to con- vulgar Judgments with these frightful Stories, they were disposed to believe, that Power could be severed from Iniquity; and that a Man's Place, was, in itself, the strongest and clearest of, that he did not deserve it. Such Proceeding, has been so constantly the Characteristick of false- hood, that I cannot help quoting what one of old Poets says on this Subject; the rather, be- cause, notwithstanding the Strength of his Sentiments, Numbers are far from being inharmonious.

and the very Corner Stone of that System of Inde- pendence, which they conceive to be so advantageous in the State, tho' it has been long ago rejected in respect to the Church, and that on the Grounds I am about to offer for rejecting it here, because in its Consequences it was founded to be destructive.

THERE cannot be any thing more whimsical, then to see Men, who set themselves up for supreme Politicians, justifying what they advance, not by Ar- guments, but Similies; hitherto Politicks and Poetry, had been thought very discordant Things; but these Gentlemen are resolved to reconcile them; and to shew, that a Genius, capable of laying the Plot of a Play, is alike capable of managing the Affairs of a Kingdom. Far be it from me to envy them the Honour of being at once Poets and Politicians; Truth is Truth, deliver'd in Verse or Prose, with, or with- out Ornament; but Truth is then most amiable when she is dress'd in a decent Habit. Calling the Spirit of Opposition, or of Faction, the Wind that stirs the Waters of Liberty, is affirming, not proving; and, if I should say, that it is generally the Fore- runner of a Tempest, which Tears up Liberty by the Roots, it would be opposing an Assertion to an Assertion; the Scale would turn on neither Side, at least not without the Finger of the Reader. As to the other Comparison, we may judge of its Worth by the Use made of it by one of our Poets to justify Ambition: His Proof is certainly as good as that of the Occasional Writer; or, to speak plainly, there is neither of them good for any thing; yet the Poet's is musical and entertaining, and answers his Purpose perfectly well.

*What better President than mighty Jove?
Nature that fram'd Us of four Elements,
Warring within our Breasts for Regimen,
Doth teach us all to have aspiring Minds:
Our Souls, whose Faculties can comprehend
The wondrous Architectur of the World,
And measure ev'ry wand'ring Planet's Course,
Still Climbing after Knowledge infinite,
And always moving as the restless Spheres,
Wills us to wear ourselves, and never rest,
Until we reach the ripest Fruit of all,
That perfect Bliss, and sole Felicity,
The sweet Fruition of an earthly Crown.*

This comes very justly from the Mouth of an am- bitious Man, who takes the Dictates of his Passion for the Language of Reason, and as such, would pass them upon others. But turn this into Prose, and offer it seriously as a Vindication of Ambition; and what then? Why, the World would think you out of your Wits; or, that you imagined them to be so.

BUT, for once, we will take what these Gentle- men say for granted; we will suppose, because they desire it, that Opposition is essential to Liberty; that there must be Faction, that there may be Freedom; and that we ought to be so jealous of every Admini- stration, as never to concur unanimously with what it proposes. I say, that these Consequences will attend our Complaisance, viz. That no Administration will be able to serve us effectually, let them intend ever so well, or apply themselves ever so assiduously. The Reason's plain, because on the Maxims of our Po- liticians, we must never believe that they intend well, or that their Diligence is derived from just Motives, otherwise we could not find in our Hearts to oppose them: Thus the End of Government is sacrificed to the Means of Freedom. Secondly, This will always afford Encouragement to the very worst Men to set themselves against the best. For, if Opposition be a thing so necessary to Freedom, then it will follow, that those who form an Opposition, must be always regarded as the Friends of Freedom: Here then is the fairest Covering in the World for Traitors; it is but saying that they are jealous of Power, Enemies of the Great, and Advocates for the People and their Practices, let them be what they will, are imme- diately just and laudable, even tho' they should at- tempt to subvert the Government, under Colour of supporting the Constitution. Thirdly, We must, from the Moment that we admit this Position, give up all Hopes of publick Peace for Ever; the Elo- quence of the Occasional Writer can never make the meanest Madman in Politicks believe, that Party

Disputes can be managed without Heat; or to serve myself with one of his Similies, That the State should bear in her Womb two Factions, without feeling, like Rebecca, the Strugglings of Esau and Jacob. Now, then, if these Consequences will fol- low; if, by admitting these Doctrines, we must hazard the Blessings derived from a wise and gentle Government, stand continually exposed to Conspira- cies, and never have it in our Power not to enjoy, but so much as to expect Tranquillity; shall we hesitate a Moment, whether we shall receive them or not? Shall we, the last Remains (if our old Historians say true) of the Trojan Race, suffer these Greeks to delude us a second Time, and foolishly pull down, at their Persuasion, those Walls which would be impregnable any other Way? Certainly we never shall, but on the contrary conclude, that if these Men had any real Grounds for that Jealousy with which they burn, they would fairly produce them, and not pretend to engage a free People to give Judgment against those who are apparently their Be- nefactors, upon a Promise, that Proofs shall be here- after made, that, in Fact, they were not so. Let us consider how unjust this would appear in private Life, how unreasonable this Method of Arguing on any other Question, and let us have the Courage to con- clude, that what would be unjust and as unreasonable on any other Occasion, or in any other Case, must be unjust and unreasonable in this too. At least, let us remember, that if we do not this, we shall become Accessaries to our own Ruin, and when Experience shall convince us that we have been decoy'd to De- struction, we shall alike be without Title to Pity or Redress, because we were warned in Time, and had fair Notice given us of what would be our Portion.

R. FREEMAN.

FOREIGN PORTS.

Essex, Off. 25. N. S. My last was of the 21st Instant, since the following Masters have arrived, viz. On the 22d, William Chambers, from Grenock for Stockholm: On the 23d, George Calcat, from Petersburg for Leghorn; and John Wilkinson, from Stockholm: On the 24th, John Bonner, from Koningburg, both for London; Edward Preston, from Dantzick for Oporto: On the 25th, Sober Allan, from Cagliari for Copenhagen; and Thomas Cornish, from Lisbon for ditto.

Those bound to the Baltick are sailed, with the Wind at N. W. which continues whereby the Captains, Preston and Bonner, are still here.

HOME PORTS.

Dublin, Off. 13. On the 7th, arrived the Francis and Mary, Vavasor, from the Canaries: On the 9th, the Rickman, Well, from Lisbon: On the 10th, the Prosperity, Mac Comb, from Bordeaux: On the 11th, the Thistle, Brown, from Philadelphia: On the 13th, the Mary, Howison, from Bordeaux. On the 7th, sailed the Lingsberry, Wilson, for Nantz; the Industry, Langley, for Madeira and New Eng- land: On the 8th, the Homer, Nevill, for Chester.

Bristol, Off. 23. This Morning arrived the Port Merchant, Amos, in 5 Weeks from New England and the Molly, Northcott, from Virginia.

Falmouth, Off. 21. Yesterday came in the Richard and Hannah, Smith, from London for Gibraltar; the Queen of Portugal, King, from ditto for Lisbon; the Pretty Peggy, Wicks, for Bordeaux; the Leo- pard, Hardy, for the Streights; the Revenge, Gor- don, for Gibraltar; the America, Ore, from Peterf- burg; and the Augustus Caesar, Hampton, from London, both for Leghorn. Remains the King George Packet for Lisbon. Wind W.

Plymouth, Off. 20. Since my last, came in the Hopewell, of and from Denbigh; the Hope, of and from Lynn; the Milk River, Brooks, of and from London for Madeira and Jamaica; the Grace, Cornish, of Topsham, from Hull; the John and Ann, of and from Hull; the Mary and Ann, of and from London for ---; the Lagalis, of and from Havre de Grace.

Plymouth, Off. 22. Came in the Tartar Man of War. Capt. Norris, from New York.

Dartmouth

Dartmouth, Oct. 22. The Emanuel and Sarah, Lawrence, mentioned in my last, from Newfoundland, on the 5th Instant spoke with the Sloop, William Clay, from Philadelphia for Newfoundland, laden with Bread and Flower, in the Latitude 44 Degrees 30 Minutes, about 150 Leagues to the Eastward of Newfoundland. Capt. Clay had been from Philadelphia 5 Weeks; had his Main Boom in the Crutch, and his Boltsprit in the Stem, and being thus disabled, he resolved to bear away for the West Indies, with the Wind at E. S. E. The Nathaniel of Topham, Hayman, from Newfoundland, is just now arrived. Wind S. W.

Weymouth, Oct. 20. Yesterday came to an Anchor in Portland Road, the Providence, Steward, from London for Dublin; the Helena, Fry, of and from Southampton for Lisbon; the Two Brothers, of and from Limington for Millford; the Cornelius and Henry, of and from Ipswich for Liverpool; the Lister of Woodbridge, from Harwich for Dublin. Wind S. and dirty Weather.

Port, Oct. 23. Since my last came in the Success, Lucy, from Newfoundland, Oporto and Jersey; the Thompson's Medal of this Port, Thompson, from Cork: She was bound for Newfoundland, and had reached almost so far as the Banks; but was obliged to put back by the Violence of the Weather.

Deal, Oct. 14. Wind S. E. Remains the Chester Man of War; with the Rochester, Tobin; and the Willett, Griffith, for St. Christopher's; the Bee, Bedford; and the Spencer, for Lisbon; the William and Sarah, Simmonds, for Dublin. Arrived Yesterday the Abel, Foster, from Barbados; and the Rapahanock, Wilcox, from Virginia.

L O N D O N.

Yesterday a Warrant was sent to the Exchequer, to take in a further Subscription for Annuities at Three per Cent.

The same Day his Majesty, attended by Sir Robert Walpole, and several Persons of Quality, took the Diversion of Hunting in Richmond Park.

Last Week died at Newcastle, Mrs. Pawson, Wife of Mr. John Pawson, Wine Merchant of that Town, and Sister to James Hargrave of Shawdon, Esq; High Sheriff of the County of Northumberland.

Yesterday divers Persons of Distinction came to Town from their respective Country Seats, in order to pay their Compliments to his Majesty on Monday next, being his Birth day.

Orders are given for a Ball to be that Evening at St. James's, for the Lords and Ladies belonging to the Court.

His Majesty, the Duke, and the Four Princesses, will remove from Kensington to St. James's on Saturday next, where they will dine, all the Apartments being airing, and the necessary Preparations making for their Reception.

A Colonel's Guard is ordered to mount at St. James's that Day.

Sir William Thomson, Knight, Recorder of this City, and one of the Barons of the Court of Exchequer, who has been greatly indisposed for some time past, is so well recovered from his Indisposition, that he was Yesterday Abroad to take the Air, and proposes to attend the Business of the Term the Beginning of next Week.

On Saturday next a Court of Aldermen will be held at Guildhall, when Micajah Perry, Esq; Lord Mayor Elect, will be sworn into his Office, and have the City Regalia delivered to him accordingly.

And on the Monday following he will be sworn in with the usual Formality, at the Exchequer Bar at Westminster Hall.

The latter End of last Week, the Lord Mayor Elect was, according to Custom, presented to the Lord Chancellor for his Approbation.

The Lords Commissioners for the Affairs of Chelsea College, have sat for these two Days past at the Guard Chamber, Whitehall, when upwards of 150 superannuated Invalids were admitted into the Pension of the said College.

This Evening the Corpse of John Bellamy, Esq; one of the Gentlemen Pensioners to his Majesty, will be carried from his late Dwelling House in Prince's Court, Westminster, and interred in great Funeral Pomp and Solemnity in the Cloisters, Westminster Abby.

Late on Tuesday Night last the Corpse of Mr. Robert Weedon, late Surgeon to the Cold Stream Regiment of Foot Guards, was interred in a decent Manner in St. Margaret's Church.

On Tuesday Night last some Villains concealed themselves in the Choir in Westminster Abby, and there found Means in the Night, to take down the

Purple Curtains belonging to the Dean and Sub-Dean's Pews; also strip'd the Cushions, and took the Communion Table Cloth: When the Abby Doors, as suppoed, were opened next Morning, they got off undiscovered.

Yesterday at Four in the Afternoon a Fire broke out in one of the Hemp Warehouses at Gally Key near the Custom-House, which burnt with Violence for above three Hours before the same was brought under; in which Time above 12 Warehouses were destroyed, besides a very valuable Quantity of Oil, Raisins, Hemp, &c. At first there was Want of Water, the Tide being down, and two Teer of Ships were in great Danger; but the Tide coming up, and there being but little Wind, they got off without Damage. The Right Hon. the Lord Mayor was present, and gave Directions to the Firemen, &c. and a Guard of Soldiers was sent from the Tower to keep the Mob from hindering the Firemen, &c. The New Custom-House, and the adjoining Warehouses, received very little Damage.

Yesterday Morning his Grace the Duke of Grafton, Lord Chamberlain of his Majesty's Household, was at St. James's to hasten the finishing of the additional Works to that Palace.

Last Tuesday died at Watford in Hertfordshire, the Rev. Mr. Hargrave, M. A. one of the Minor Canons of the Cathedral Church of York.

The same Day died, aged 75, in Audley-street, Grosvenor's Square, Samuel Golding, Esq; a Gentleman possessed of a plentiful Estate, and in the Commission of the Peace for the County of Berks.

Last Tuesday Night died, at Sir Joseph Pennington's House in the Spring Gardens, Charing-Cross, the Hon. Mrs. Pennington, Sister to the Hon. Governor Lowther, and Niece to the Right Hon. the Lord Viscount Lonsdale.

Last Saturday the Corpse of Sir Thomas Stradling, Bart. who died the 2th of September last at Montpellier, was landed at Dover on its Way to Glamorganshire, in order to be interred in the burial Vault of that ancient Family, at St. Donat's Castle in the said County.

Next Week Sir Roger Burgoyne, Bart. one of the Knights of the Shire for the County of Bedford, is to be married to the Lady Frances Montagu, Daughter to the Right Hon. the Earl of Halifax.

Yesterday the Right Hon. the Earl of Montrath set out from his House in Grosvenor's Square for the Bath, for the Recovery of his Health.

Last Tuesday Night their Graces the Duke and Dutchess of Richmond, and the Countess of Albemarle, came to Town from his Grace's Seat at Goodwood in Sussex.

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